

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: By Chairman Diane Rice, on January 16, 2007 at
8:00 A.M., in Room 137 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Diane Rice, Chairman (R)
Rep. Dave Gallik, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Ron Stoker, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Douglas Cordier (D)
Rep. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Rep. Bob Ebinger (D)
Rep. George Everett (R)
Rep. Julie French (D)
Rep. Rick Jore (C)
Rep. Krayton Kerns (R)
Rep. Roger Koopman (R)
Rep. Deborah Kottel (D)
Rep. Tom McGillvray (R)
Rep. Jesse O'Hara (R)
Rep. Ken Peterson (R)
Rep. Holly Raser (D)
Rep. John Ward (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: David Niss, Legislative Branch
Pam Schindler, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 210, HB 215, HB 234, HB 247,
1/11/2007
Executive Action: None

HEARING ON HB 234

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:02 Rep. Bob Lake (R), HD 88, opened the hearing on HB 234, Law enforcement notice to property appraisers for suspected meth houses.

Proponents Testimony:

00:07:36 Melissa Case, MEA-MFT

Opponents Testimony:

00:08:20 Mark Johnson, Montana Chiefs of Police Association

Informational Testimony:

00:09:50 Mike Batista, Department of Justice, Criminal Investigation Division

00:13:47 Randy Wilke, Department of Revenue

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:16:03 Rep. Koopman

00:17:08 Mr. Wilke

00:18:49 Rep. French

00:19:31 Rep. Lake

Closing by Sponsor:

00:21:09 Rep. Lake

HEARING ON HB 215

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:23:06 Rep. Krayton Kerns (R), HD 58, opened the hearing on HB 215, Ban human cloning research.

Proponents Testimony:

00:30:26 Rachel Roberts, Montana Family Foundation

00:36:16 Moe Wosepka, Director, Montana Catholic Conference

EXHIBIT(juh10a01)

00:38:45 Lynn Stumberg, Eagle Forum

00:39:21 Harris Himes, Montana Values Alliance

Opponents Testimony:

00:44:35 Amanda Arnold, Montana Human Rights Network
[EXHIBIT\(juh10a02\)](#)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:46:03 Rep. Kottel
00:47:04 Mr. Himes
00:48:40 Rep. Kottel
00:49:12 Rep. Kerns
00:49:51 Rep. Kottel
00:50:42 Ms. Roerts
00:54:24 Rep. McGillvray
00:54:43 Rep. Kerns
00:56:00 Rep. Ward
00:56:38 Ms. Arnold
00:56:54 Rep. Gallik
00:58:09 Rep. Kerns
00:59:11 Rep. Peterson
00:59:49 Mr. Himes
01:02:36 Rep. Raser
01:02:57 Rep. Kerns
01:07:34 Rep. Koopman
01:08:09 Rep. Kerns
01:09:45 Rep. Rice
01:09:54 Rep. Kerns
01:10:31 Rep. Gallik
01:10:41 Rep. Kerns
01:11:26 Rep. Raser
01:12:21 Re. Kerns

Closing by Sponsor:

01:12:40 Rep. Kerns
[EXHIBIT\(juh10a03\)](#)

01:13:12 Break
01:31:25 Reconvene

HEARING ON HB 210

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:31:38 Rep. Ken Peterson (R), HD 46, opened the hearing on HB
210, Revise board of pardons and parole.
[EXHIBIT\(juh10a04\)](#)

Proponents Testimony: None

Opponents Testimony:

01:45:15 Anne Brodsky, Legal Counsel-Governor's Office

Informational Testimony:

01:58:20 Rep. Windy Boy, member Chippewa Cree Tribe

02:00:59 Craig Thomas, Executive Director, Board of Pardons and Paroles

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:04:42 Rep. French

02:05:19 Mr. Thomas

02:07:15 Rep. Driscoll

02:07:40 Rep. Peterson

02:10:15 Rep. Raser

02:10:36 Ms. Brodsky

02:10:50 Rep. Raser

02:11:22 Rep. Peterson

02:13:49 Rep. Koopman

02:15:08 Mr. Thomas

02:17:04 Rep. Stoker

02:17:33 Mr. Thomas

02:19:35 Rep. Stoker

02:19:48 Ms. Brodsky

02:20:30 Rep. Cordier

02:21:09 Mr. Thomas

Closing by Sponsor:

02:22:56 Rep. Peterson

HEARING ON HB 247

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

02:29:08 Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D), HD 32, opened the hearing on HB 247, Remove traffic offense from driving record after 3 years.

Proponents Testimony: None

Opponents Testimony:

02:30:55 Brenda Nordlund, Department of Justice, Motor Vehicle
Division

EXHIBIT(juh10a05)

Informational Testimony:

02:38:18 Barry "Spook" Stang, Executive Director, Montana Motor
Carriers Association

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:39:17 Rep. Kottel
02:39:46 Ms. Nordlund
02:44:26 Rep. Peterson
02:44:48 Rep. Windy Boy
02:48:28 Rep. Gallik
02:49:24 Rep. Windy Boy

Closing by Sponsor:

02:50:57 Rep. Windy Boy

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 82

02:53:39 **Motion:** Rep. Stoker moved that **HB 82 DO PASS.**
Motion: Rep. Kottel moved that **HB 82 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT(juh10a06)

02:56:01 **Discussion:** Rep. Kottel moved **HB 82 BE AMENDED with a
Conceptual Amendment** for Page 2, Line 1.

03:09:47 EXECUTIVE ACTION postponed on HB 82.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:12 A.M.

REP. DIANE RICE, Chairman

PAM SCHINDLER, Secretary

DR/ps

Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([juh10aad.pdf](#))